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Baseball

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STATESBORO, Ga. - Georgia Southern baseball improved to 5-5 on the season, defeating Towson 7-5 on Saturday. [Chase Dollander](#), earned his first career victory on the mound, going five innings and allowing one run on four hits. The freshman struck out seven batters which was one off his career high.

Towson would score first in the top half of the inning, before the Eagles would respond in the bottom half. [Austin Thompson](#) singled through the right side, followed by [Noah Ledford](#) who singled through the right side as well.

In the bottom of the fifth the Eagles exploded for five runs, as [Austin Thompson](#) singled up the middle to score a pair. [Noah Ledford](#) would reach on a fielder's choice and [Jason Swan](#) singled to left to cap off the inning.

In the sixth Towson would push across a run to make it a four run game, before scoring a pair in the top of the ninth to threaten the Eagles. [Nick Jones](#) came into the ball game and recorded the final out to earn his second save of the season.

The Eagles will be back in action looking for the sweep at 1 p.m. against Towson.

SCORING MOMENTS

TOP 1st | GS 0 - TOW 2 | Towson scores a pair in the top half to take the lead.

BOTTOM 1st | GS 2 - TOW 2 | [Austin Thompson](#) singles through the right side to cut the lead to one. [Noah Ledford](#) singled through the right side to tie the ballgame.

BOTTOM 5th | GS 7 - TOW 2 | [Austin Thompson](#) singles up the middle to score a pair. [Noah Ledford](#) reached on a fielder's choice to score the third run. [Jason Swan](#) singles to left to score the final two runs of the inning.

TOP 6th | GS 7 - TOW 3 | Towson cuts into the lead with an error in left.

TOP 9th | GS 7 - TOW 5 | Towson threatens in the top of the ninth with two runs.

GAME NOTES

- [Chase Dollander](#) earned his first collegiate win, pitching five innings allowing two runs on four hits. He struck out seven to bring his season total to 20.
- [Nick Jones](#) earned his second save of the season, entering the game in the ninth and recording the final out.
- [Austin Thompson](#) had a big day at the plate, going 2-for-4 with three RBIs.
- [Noah Ledford](#) and [Jason Swan](#) added two RBIs to their lines, both going 1-for-4 on the day.
- [Mason McWhorter](#) was 2-for-4 with two runs scored, increasing his hit-streak to 10 games.

UP NEXT

Georgia Southern will conclude the series on Sunday afternoon against Towson. First pitch is scheduled for 1 p.m. from J.I. Clements Stadium.